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Composition to Mask Visual Haze and Related ) Marc Patterson  
Methods )  
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Dear Sirs:

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**C.F.R. §1.98**

As a means of complying with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, the Applicants are calling the following to the attention of the Patent Office and request that it be considered by the Examiner in this third disclosure statement:

United States Patents 4,654,249, 5,475,046, and 5,633,080.

However, the above-listed references may not be prior art under 35 U.S.C. §102 and this document should not be construed as an admission that any of the above-listed references are prior art within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. §102.

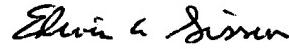
United States Patents 4,654,249 may be relevant to the prosecution of the subject patent application because it discloses (column1; line 67 to column 2, line 27, column 4 lines 52 to 65, claims and examples) polyester films containing as fillers, at least two inert organic compounds which differ in nature but not necessarily in the size distribution of their respective particles... the subject films preferably comprise kaolinite and titanium oxide particulates having a mean particle size less than or equal to 0.7 microns.

United States Patent 5,475,046, may be relevant to the prosecution of the subject patent application because it discloses (column1; line 60 to column 2; line 12) a polyester film, macro particles of silica with an average diameter of approximately 1.3 to approximately 2.0 microns and fine particles of aluminum oxide with an average diameter of approximately 20 to 200nm; and stretching the film to 75 to 125 micron thick, and a haze of not more than 20%.

United States Patent 5,633,080 may be relevant to the prosecution of the subject patent application because it discloses (column 2; lines 5 to 57, claims and examples) a polyester film that not only has excellent handling properties but also has low haze, and good optical clarity. It further discloses a polyester film incorporating a combination of fillers that have good processing characteristics.

A copy of the above patents and Form PTO-1449 are enclosed herewith.

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